

REMARKS

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the courtesy of the interview granted his undersigned counsel on July 10, 1995. The application is herewith being amended which, as agreed during the interview should now place the case in condition for allowance. More specifically:

Independent claim 25 has been amended to patentably distinguish over Bonito et al U.S. patent 5,095,430.

Independent claim 54 has been amended to patentably distinguish over Huston et al U.S. patent no. 5,364,093.

Claim 53 has been corrected as noted in paragraph 2 of paper no. 8.

As discussed during the interview, claim 28, which had been dependent on claim 25 is not anticipated by Bonito et al. Accordingly, claim 28 is now being presented in independent form.

In view of the above noted amendments to claims 25, 28, 53 and 54 it is respectfully submitted that previously rejected or objected to claims 25-35, 53 and 54 are now allowable over the art of record.

Applicant has also reviewed the additional prior art of record, Bergeron U.S. patent 4,764,666 and Lucky U.S. patent no. 5,043,889, which were not applied but were noted in paragraph 10 of paper no. 8 as pertinent to apparatuses for processing bets in golf games. It is respectfully submitted that the claims in the application directed to this aspect of applicant's system, claims 25-35, clearly distinguish over this art, whether considered alone or in combination with the other art.

The formal drawings, as reviewed with the Examiner during the interview of July 10, 1995, are now being submitted to overcome the Notice of Draftsman Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) appended to paper no. 2.

The present application contains 54 claims, of which 10 are now in independent form. The application, as amended on December 5, 1994 included payment for 54 claims of which 9 were then in independent form. Accordingly, applicant is submitting an additional fee of \$38.00

for the one additional independent claim. However, as noted in the letter accompanying the transmission of the application to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, any excess fees or other expenses incurred at any time during the prosecution of this application may without specific authorization be debited against our deposit account number 01-0035.


The undersigned attorney also wishes to note a change of address, as indicated below, and requests that further correspondence be directed thereto.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance.

July 12, 1995

Respectfully submitted,

Abelman Frayne & Schwab
150 E. 42nd Street
New York, NY 10017-5612
Telephone: (212) 949-9022
Facsimile: (212) 949-9190

By: 
Stewart J. Fried
Registration No. 20,964